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**In the Claims**

1. (original) A method for selecting a printed image size comprising steps of:

receiving an image;

calculating a range of image sizes for printing said image based on a plurality of factors; and

selecting at least one of said image sizes in said range for printing said image.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising steps of:

receiving a user-preferred image size; and

determining whether said user-preferred image size is within said range.

3. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said step of selecting further comprises steps of:

selecting said user-preferred image size for printing said image in response to said user-preferred image size being within said range; and

selecting said at least one of said image sizes in said range for printing said image in response to said user-preferred image size falling outside of said range.

4. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said step of calculating further comprises steps of:

determining an aspect ratio of said image; and

calculating said range, whereby an image printed in each of said sizes in said range has an aspect ratio approximately equal to an aspect ratio of said received image.

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1           5.     (original) The method of claim 4, wherein said step of calculating  
2 further comprises steps of:

3                 determining a resolution of said received image;

4                 determining a resolution of a printer printing said image;

5                 correlating said resolution of said received image and said printer;

6 and

7                 calculating said sizes in said range, whereby an image printed in  
8 each of said sizes in said range has a resolution associated with said correlated  
9 resolution.

10           6.     (original) The method of claim 5, wherein said step of calculating  
11 further comprises a step of calculating said sizes in said range, whereby an image  
12 printed in each of said sizes in said range has a number of pixels that is greater  
13 than a predetermined minimum number of pixels and less than a predetermined  
14 maximum number of pixels.

15           7.     (original) The method of claim 6, wherein said step of calculating  
16 further comprises steps of:

17                 determining an orientation of said received image; and

18                 calculating said sizes in said range, whereby an image printed in  
19 each of said sizes in said range has said orientation of said received image.

20           8.     (original) The method of claim 7, wherein said orientation includes  
21 one of landscape and portrait.

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23           9.     (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said plurality of factors  
24 includes one or more of resolution, aspect ratio, number of pixels per inch of a  
25 printed image, and image orientation.

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1           10. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said steps in said method  
2 are performed by a program stored in a computer readable medium.

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4           11. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said calculating step  
5 further includes a step of calculating a range of image sizes for printing said image  
6 on at least A3 sized paper medium.

7           12. (original) A method for printing an image comprising steps of:  
8           receiving an image;  
9           calculating a range of image sizes for printing said image based on a  
10 plurality of factors; and  
11           printing said image in a size in said range.

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13           13. (original) The method of claim 12, further comprising steps of:  
14           receiving a user-preferred image size; and  
15           determining whether said user-preferred image size is within said  
16 range.

17           14. (currently amended) The method of claim 13, wherein said step of  
18 selecting further printing comprises steps of:  
19           printing said received image in said user-preferred image size in  
20 response to said user-preferred image size being within said range; and  
21           printing said received image in a size in said range in response to  
22 said user-preferred image size falling outside of said range.

23           15. (original) The method of claim 12, wherein said plurality of factors  
24 includes one or more of resolution, aspect ratio, number of pixels per inch of a  
25 printed image, and image orientation.

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1           16. (currently amended) The method of claim 12, wherein said printing  
2 step ~~further~~ comprises a step of printing said image on at least A3 size print  
3 medium.

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5           17. (original) A system operable to select an image size for printing an  
6 image, said system comprising:

7               at least one interface operable to receive said image;

8               a processor operable to calculate a range of sizes for printing said  
9 image based on a plurality of factors; and

10              a printer operable to print said image in a size in said range.

11           18. (original) The system of claim 17, wherein said processor is further  
12 operable to calculate a range of image sizes for printing said image based on a  
13 plurality of factors and select at least one of said image sizes in said range for  
14 printing said image on said printer.

15           19. (original) The system of claim 18, wherein said at least one  
16 interface is further operable to receive a user-preferred image size, and said  
17 processor is further operable to determine whether said user-preferred image size  
18 is within said range.

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20           20. (original) The system of claim 19, wherein said processor is further  
21 operable to select said user-preferred image size for printing said image on said  
22 printer in response to said user-preferred image size being within said range, and  
23 said processor is further operable to select at least one of said image sizes in said  
24 range for printing said image in response to said user-preferred image size falling  
25 outside of said range.

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1 21. (original) The system of claim 20, wherein said interface includes a  
2 network interface.

3 22. (original) The system of claim 21, wherein said interface includes a  
4 user input device.  
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